

MORNING WORSHIP
December 15, 2024
10:30AM

Lottie Moon Video	
Welcome/Video Announcements /Prayer	James Henegar
Hymn	Number 180
"The First Noel"	
Advent – Shepherd Candle of Joy	Kristen Hardison
Offertory Hymn	Number 209
"Mary, Did You Know"	
Choir Anthem	Worship Choir
"Unto Us"	
Scripture	James Henegar
Message	James Henegar
"Joy"	
Invitation Hymn	Number 202
"How Great Our Joy"	
Closing Prayer	Deacon
Business Meeting	
Postlude	

Pastor – James Henegar
Associate Pastor – Jordan Drake

Record for December 1 – December 7, 2024

Weekly Budget:	\$11,396.00
Last Week's Giving:	\$12,300.00

MBC NEWS

Birthdays

Sunday: Phebe Bland* **Monday:** Nancy Hocutt **Thursday:** Peyton Ward
Friday: Anne Shepherd

Advent

The **third candle** symbolizes **joy** and is called the "Shepherd Candle." To the shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came for humble, unimportant people like them, too. In liturgy, the color rose signifies joy. This candle is colored pink to represent joyfulness and rejoicing.

Help Needed Today

Hospitality Team is requesting men (and strong women) to come to the Fellowship Hall after the service TODAY to help set up tables and chairs for the reception following the Cantata tonight.

Budget Presentation

The Business Management Team will present the 2025 proposed budgets to the MBC membership for approval after service today. Also, the BMT will present the following two capital spend items for approval:

- ❖ Approximately \$19,000 to replace the carpet with LVT flooring (durable, non-skid) in the three, high traffic hallways around the fellowship hall, including the ramp ascending to the atrium (not including atrium level), and
- ❖ Approximately \$9000 in material cost to enclose a portion of the church-side porch on the Adult Education Center (Barnes House) into a 9'x 11' Sunday School room.

In addition to the budget and capital spend vote, the Ministry Enlistment Team request approval for two additional persons to serve as Trustees to ensure we adhere to our Church's By-law specifications to maintain five members in this role. These newly proposed Trustees are Amy L Edwards and Ben Daniel. The pre-existing Trustees who will remain on the team include Greg Shepherd, Randy Miller and Tommy Harris.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Remember our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. Our goal is \$33,000. We have received \$9,315.00.

Christmas Card Mailbox

Save a stamp, help a missionary! Located on our missions table is an alphabetical mailbox. Instead of mailing cards to fellow MBC members place them by last name, and please consider giving your postage savings in the Lottie Moon offering box beside mailbox.

Young @ Heart

The Young @ Heart will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Friday, January 10, 2025 for Brunch and Bingo at 11:00AM. We need a count of how many can attend by Monday, January 6, 2025. We need at least 15 to have this activity. Please call the church office to sign up and leave a message on the answering machine if no answer.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday	December 15, 2024
9:00–10:00	Church Library
9:15 AM	Sunday School
10:30	Morning Worship – Sanctuary – Live Stream – Live Radio WIAM 900AM – 92.1FM
10:30	Children’s Church
11:30	Called Business Meeting Immediately after Service
5:00 PM	No Mom’s in Prayer
6:00	Christmas Cantata – Sanctuary
Monday	December 16, 2024
3:00 PM	Prayer Team
6:30	Emelyne Griffin Circle – Fellowship Hall
6:30	Renee Crane Circle – Debi Rogers House
Tuesday	December 17, 2024
9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study – Red Building 24
7:00 PM	Renee Crane Circle – Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	December 18, 2024
11:00 AM	Benevolence Team – Red Building 24
5:30–6:30	Church Library Open
5:45	Meal – Warriors for Christ Class – Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Chips
6:30	Awana and Students
6:45	Adult Mid-Week – “Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis”
7:35	Worship Choir Practice

Biblical Recorder

It is time again to update our subscription list for the Biblical Recorder, the official journal of our Baptist State Convention. To be added to our subscription list, to continue, to be taken off, or to note a change of address, please contact the church office by December 20, 2024. The cost will be \$7.00.

Deadline for January Calendar

The deadline to submit calendar dates to the church office for January calendar will be Thursday, December 19, 2024.

Food Pantry

We are having an ongoing food collection for Friends of God Food Pantry. The bins are labeled and located in the atrium. Please donate non-perishable foods: spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, canned vegetables, canned meat, canned fruit, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice, etc. Thank you for your support.

STUDENT MINISTRIES (Grades 6-12)

Students Winter Retreat ‘25: January 17–20, 2025 – Winter Retreat ‘25 – Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters in Andrews, NC – \$125/person – \$60.00 (non-refundable) deposit required at registration. On-line registration at www.membap.org/winterSWO by January 15, 2025.

Additional Announcements

December 15, 2024

Upcoming December Dates and Activities

Christmas Eve Service – Our Christmas Eve Service will be at 5:00PM in the sanctuary.

Wednesday Activities – No Wednesday activities on December 25, 2024 or January 1, 2025. We will kick off the new year with a covered dish meal at 5:45PM on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, furnished by the members of MBC and organized by the Food Service Team. We will resume our Awana’s and Students at 6:30PM and Adult Mid-Week at 6:45PM on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

Office Closed Tuesday, December 24 – Wednesday, January 1, 2025 – We will be back in the office on Thursday, January 2, 2025.

Adult Christmas Cantata Information

- ❖ We will be having our presentation of “The Christ Came” with our Worship Choir and Contemporary Orchestra TONIGHT at 6:00PM in the sanctuary.
- ❖ There will be a Churchwide Social immediately following the Christmas Cantata in the Fellowship Hall.



VOLUNTEERS FOR MINISTRIES – December 15, 2024

Deacon of the Week – Diana Cratt

Facilities Team – Hank Edwards

Flowers – Debi Rogers

Food Service Team – Ryan Garner

Transportation – Duke Stone

Nursery Chair – Harris Harrell

Infants – Beth Davis and Fannie Howell

1 – 2 Year Olds – Jason and Jane Ashley White

2 – 3 Year Olds – Derek and Kacy Moore

4 Year Olds – Kindergarten – Tony and JoEllen Rogers

Video System – Kemper Smith

Audio System – Stewart Johnson

Sunday Tellers – Jerry Howell and Neal Phelps

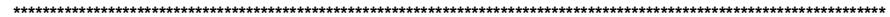
Tuesday Teller – Diane Hardison

Greeters – Jerry and Fannie Howell (Sanctuary Greeters), Sheila Godard
(Double Glass Door in Atrium)



CURRENT PRAYER CONCERNS

MBC Web Page www.membap.org



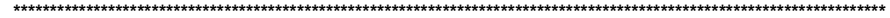
Sympathy: To James Cratt and family in the death of his aunt, Norma Ward.



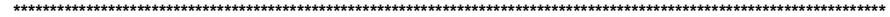
Three Rivers: Naomi Roberson



Newly Added Prayer Concerns: Mack Williams (Husband of Becky Williams of Cakes by Becky)



Military: Chris Holland, Everett Paschal, William Manning, Jackson Hocutt, Matt Dougherty, Kristen Caldwell, Jim Davis



David & Renee, Nikki & Steve Hart, Tim & Lynn Davis (Daughter of Tommy & Jean Harris), Baptist Children’s Home, Travis & Caroline Jones Fennessy, Shaun & Joy Price

